

Submitted at Public meeting
at Ambrose Center
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Dear Environmental Protection Agency:

The current draft cleanup plan does not seem to do anything about actually removing toxins from the river. If the toxins were going to go away by themselves, presumably they would be reduced by now and we would not need to have Fish Consumption Advisories. The toxins should not be left in the river to poison fish and other wildlife, nor should we hope that they will travel to the ocean to poison other lives. They need to be dredged and taken to a site where they cannot enter the water supply.

It has been my understanding that the Environmental Protection Agency is supposed to protect the environment for wildlife and for coming generations of human beings. Allowing corporations to pollute the river and then walk away is unacceptable and I find it extremely disappointing that a government agency is prepared to do this. Cleaning the river is about human health as well as the lives of fish and birds. Our river should be a source of pride to us, an area for recreation and enjoyment, not a toxic waste dump. The entities that poisoned the river should be required to clean it up, and within a defined period of time.

Sincerely,

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